

Attendees:

Rick W. Archive Chair - Scrambled Eggs

Judy H. Co-Chair - Daily Reflections

Carl G. Archivist

Justin. Aea Delegate

Eric Web Host

Archie A. Secretary – Cold Spring Group

Leroy G. Cold Spring Group

James Haydenville - Sunday Night Life Group

Cheryl W. East Mountain Group

Bobbie C. Eye Opener

Derick M. Do Or Die

Bob W. Morning side Heights Beginners

Joey After Work Group

Opening of Meeting:

The Chair opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer and article of purpose.

Chair Comments:

Rick explained what the purpose of the Archive committee was to the new members. He asked the committee members if there were any comments based on discussions from last month's meeting pertaining to the anonymity of archive boards. Also how to collect additional group histories for the archives that aren't documented as well as updates for existing groups.

Archivist Comments:

He also continues to catalog existing material and hopes to have it categorized on the area website in the future and displayed a pamphlet on The A.A. Archives and display board which summarized the beginning of A.A. history. He also circulated a letter to Helena from Bill congratulating her on over 20 years of sobriety and a donation letter from Catherine sent to Intergroup.

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Justin- Area Delegate Update:

Upcoming events: NERAASA February 19th – 22nd Portland, ME, GSO Bus Trip to AA headquarters in NY on April 10th sold out, many other events / announcements that can be found on the Western Mass Intergroup website <https://westernmassaa.org/> and <https://area31aa.org/>. Also, Orange is no longer listed in area 31, since they were never in the area.

Old Business:

Rick read the part of the A.A. guidelines pertaining to anonymity and the group held a discussion and agreed that a sign should be posted next to the boards when they are displayed stating that photography of the boards is prohibited.

New Business:

Judy and Rick will attend future district meetings and announce that the Archives Committee is actively seeking new and updated group histories from the district. Judy will review the existing books which contain group histories and record which groups are missing.

Committee:

Discussions during the meeting included; anonymity of archive boards and material, how to collect new and update existing group histories.

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Request for Archive Boards:

There is an accessibility meeting @ Pioneer Valley Rehab in South Hadley on February 9th @ 7PM, Judy will be attending and will bring either the mini boards on standard boards.

The meeting was closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Area 31 Committee Representative Kit Material

Welcome to the Area 31 Archive Committee (attached .pdf)

Group History Form (attached .pdf)

Archive & History (attached .pdf)

Guidelines for Collecting Oral History (attached .pdf)

[AA Guidelines - Archives](#) (web link)

[Digitizing Archival Materials Guideline from GSO](#) (web link)

[Researching AA Group History](#) (web link)

Historical Archived Minutes Link

https://area31aa.org/committee_minutes/Archeive